

FOBNR 2026 Mini-Meet Agenda



Wednesday June 24th (pre-meet activity)

6:00 PM Arrival Group Dinner. The Railyard, 113 S. Gillette Ave., Gillette WY.

Recommended Hotel: Candlewood Suites in Gillette. 904 Country Club Road, Gillette, WY 82718. No group rate. (307) 682-6100. We will meet here on Thursday morning (below).

Thursday June 25th Day 1 Mini-Meet: Powder River Basin

7:00 AM Meet at Hotel Lobby and Drive to Powder River Basin (PRB) Black Thunder Mine.

9:00 AM Meet at the Black Thuner Mine for Tour. 5669 WY-450. Wright, WY 82732. Bring steel-toe shoes. The mine will provide other necessary PPE.

11:00 AM Railfan Powder River Basin/Orin Subdivision and drive to Alliance, Nebraska (approx. 4 hour drive).

Lunch and dinner on your own.

Recommended Alliance Hotel: Holiday Inn Express. 1630 Holsten Dr, Alliance, NE 69301. Group rate of \$121 (excluding taxes) for king or two queen. Mention group name FOBNR when making reservations. (308) 761-0970 or (1-888-465-4329), or [FOBNR Booking Link](#)

Friday June 26th Day 2 Mini-Meet: Alliance Nebraska

8:00 AM Meet at Hotel Lobby to plan for the day.

9:00 AM BNSF Alliance Shop Tour. Meet at the Hotel Lobby to carpool to the Yard Office, 1420 W 3rd St. Alliance, NE. Long pants and closed-toe shoes expected. No other PPE required.

10:30 AM Railfan Sandhills Subdivision.

Lunch and Dinner on Your Own.

7:00 PM – 7:45 PM Annual Membership Meeting. Holiday Inn Express 1630 Holsten Dr, Alliance, NE 69301.

8:00 PM – 9:00 PM Annual Board of Directors Meeting. Holiday Inn Express 1630 Holsten Dr, Alliance, NE 69301.

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Saturday Jun 27th Day 3 Mini-Meet: Alliance Nebraska

- 7:45 AM Meet at Hotel Lobby to drive to Ponderosa Ranch.
- 9:00 AM Meet at Ponderosa Ranch to railfan the Butte Subdivision and Crawford Hill. 680 Saw Log Rd., Crawford, Nebraska 69339. Private access and lunch provided for fee of \$35 per person. They will collect individual payments at the ranch. Morning and early afternoon are best for photos.
- 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM Group Dinner – Sam & Louie's Italian Restaurant. 1313 W 3rd St, Alliance, NE 69301.

End of Mini-Meet

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Note: QR code for Alliance, NE Holiday Inn Group Rate

Below is the QR code for your group booking



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